

er of the Executive to effect by the possession of this talisman (besides the bribery of the People with their own money) may be inferred from the fact stated in the subjoined paragraph, which we have corroborative information, is substantially true: that is, it is true that notes of the Bank of the United States have been released at the Land Offices, afterwards received at a discount, and resold at a premium.

From the New York Gazette.

A friend has informed us of the following facts, which were communicated to him by a gentleman just arrived in this city from the West. They disclose the disgraceful conduct of a Government agent, which calls for investigation by Congress. At a recent sale of public lands the purchasers came prepared to pay in bills of the Bank of the United States, which they brought with them for that purpose. For the sale, these bills were tendered payment, but they were refused by the agent, who stated that he had received orders to that effect from Washington. In his dilemma, the purchasers accepted the friendly offices of the agent, himself, who very kindly discounted their notes at the moderate rate of five per cent. He subsequently disposed of those same funds individuals who wished to make remittances to the eastward, at a premium of two per cent.; thus realizing by the transaction, as he himself acknowledged, the handsome sum of sixty thousand dollars!

Wheat Crops.—We are sorry to learn from the Williamsport Banner, that the wheat crop in that neighborhood is not likely to turn out so well as anticipated. It is stated that the ravages of the fly are very obvious in many fields of early sown wheat; and that from present appearances not more than half the usual product is anticipated. It should, however, be remembered, that the spring is late and the crops consequently very backward; and hence that what now promises but indifferently, will yet recover itself, and yield a productive harvest.

Baltimore Patriot.

New York, April 15.

THE PRESENT PRESSURE.

We yesterday stated that money was at present bringing an interest at the rate of from 30 to 40 per cent. per annum. This was upon the notes of men of business, widely known in the community, and whose paper was just as good as that of any bank in Wall street. In other cases the rate of discount is far greater. We have been informed by one of the brokers of this city that the notes of good men, but who were not known as men of business, were selling at the rate of one-half per cent. per day, or fifteen per cent. per month. One thousand dollars loaned out at this rate, with the interest paid every month and added to the principal, would in one year amount to \$5,300. What an enormous interest!

Augusta, April 23.—Horrible Murder. We learn from a highly respectable gentleman of Columbia county, that James G. Hutchinson, a citizen of Columbia county, recently intermarried with a Mrs. Fetters of said county, who a short time after her marriage, was brought to bed & it was supposed gave birth to a child, which not being seen by any of their neighbors, lead to the suspicion, that it had been murdered. Search was immediately made, and on Thursday last, it was found in Little River, near the residence of Mr. Hutchinson, with its head and breast much bruised, and otherwise mangled. On the evening of the same day, Mr. and Mrs. H. made their escape, arrived in this place at a late hour of the same night and took passage on the Rail Road for Charleston.

James Cartledge, Esq. accompanied by another individual left here this morning in pursuit of them.

[The persons above mentioned arrived in this city on Friday night, and on Sunday morning the female was arrested; the man, however, made his escape, and has not yet been taken. It is supposed that he left here in some vessel.]

Editors Charleston Courier.

It is said that a gentleman in N. Y. has offered to lend the Texans two hundred thousand dollars.—*Ibid.*

U. S. Ship Delaware.—The building of this ship was commenced at the Navy Yard, at this place in August, 1817. She was launched on the 21st October 1820. The cost of the hull was \$375,735. She is one of the largest ships in the world, and is said to spread more canvass, and carry a greater weight of metal than any ship afloat. Her mainmast contains 1587 yards of canvass, and she spreads in all 15,093 yards. She carries, exclusive of the bow and stern ports, 100 guns, viz: thirty-four long 42 pounders,—thirty-two 32 pounders, and thirty-four carronades 42 pounders, weight of one broadside of round shot 1940 pounds. Her draught of water when completed for sea, is 25 feet 6 inches aft, and 24 4 inches forward. She carries bread & water for five months.

Portsmouth Times.

The Buffalo papers inform us that forty steam boats ply between that place and Detroit, and adds, "this is a greater number than run between Boston, Philadelphia, New York and Albany."

A Pirate.—Capt. McDonald, of brig Elizabeth, from the coast of Africa and the Cape de Verdes, reports that at the latter he left the brig Pearl, Blackman, of Boston, which has been boarded by a Spanish Guineaman, and robbed of dry goods to the amount of \$4,000.

Capt. McDonald also states that an insurrection broke out at the Cape de Verdes on the 11th of December, which was not

suppressed until after they had committed great depredations. The ringleader was shot.

A Murderer named Washington Whitaker, a man of wealth, was recently condemned and sentenced to be hung in New Orleans. The Governor of the State refusing to pardon him, he committed suicide in prison. Whereupon the Militia was called out and buried him with military honors.

GEORGETOWN, S. C. April 22.

It is with great pleasure we have learnt that Messrs. Tuttle and Wright have a steam boat building which is to commence running between this place and Charleston next Fall, forming with the Atlanta, a regular line from Cheraw.

The Atlanta, taking draught to five feet, burden, and speed into consideration, is believed to be the finest boat south of Virginia, and has fully justified the opinion that a new era of steam navigation had commenced among us. We hope her spirited owners will be equally successful in their new enterprise.—*Wilmington Intelligencer.*

A freshet in the neighborhood of Belvidere, N. Jersey, destroyed property to the amount of about \$10,000.

Ex-Governor Burton.—We learn that Ex-Governor HENRY BURTON died very suddenly, on the 21st instant, in Inglell county, near Beattie's Fort.—*N. C. Standard* 23 April.

A violent hail storm was experienced at Orangeburg on April 21, which caused a good deal of damage, almost entirely destroying the wheat fields. Some of the hail stones were said to be five inches in circumference.

Bank Robbery.—The Merchants' Bank of Providence (R. I.) was entered by false keys between Saturday the 16th and Monday the 18th April, and bills to the amount of \$160,000 taken off, besides a sealed package supposed to contain a large amount.

JOHN HAYLAND, Esq. of Philadelphia, has received the first premium for a plan of the new Merchants, Exchange, New York. The cost of the building, exclusive of the ground, will be about \$300,000.

The Banking house of the U. S. Bank, in Chesnut street, Philadelphia, was sold at auction on Tuesday, 12th inst. for \$388,000. It was knocked down to T. P. CORRE. Esq. who bought it for the stockholders of Pennsylvania U. S. Bank.

Railroad Accident.—At Frederick, Maryland, yesterday, as we learn from the Examiner, a boy over 12 years old, attempting to enter between two of a train of burden cars near the depot, fell on the rail and the wheels of the train passing over him cut the body literally assunder.

Militia.—The militia of the United States, according to the last returns, comprised 1,310,450 men. As the returns in many cases are defective, the real number must be somewhat greater, and probably does not fall much short of a million and a half.

St. Louis, March 29.

Murder upon Murder.—Some months ago we noticed the murder of Mr. Woobury Massey, at Dubuque, M. T., by two persons named Smith, father and son. They escaped punishment, by the decision of the court before which they were indicted, on the ground of want of jurisdiction. A few weeks since we recorded the death of the elder Smith, who was shot down in Galena by Henry L. Massey, a brother of W. Massey. And now we learn from the last Galena Advertiser, that a week or two previous, Miss Massey, a sister, shot Wm. Smith, at Dubuque, and that the wound will probably prove mortal. The ball entered Smith's right side, just above the third rib and lodged.—*Republican.*

Important to the Ladies.—A letter from an American lady in England, says, that during her stay of some months, she had not yet seen a lady, with ear rings! and this is in the very centre of fashion—London!

Washington National Monument Society.—Mr. JOSEPH NOBLE, who was Military Secretary to the Commanding General in the Southern Department, in the year 1776, and Secretary of Ordnance and Paymaster to the Board of War in 1778, under appointments from Congress, arrived in this city, on Saturday last, in the steam packet from Norfolk, as an agent for the above Society, for the State of South Carolina. The object of the Society is to raise a sum of money sufficient to erect a Monument in the National Metropolis to the beloved Father of his Country, the immortal WASHINGTON, and it is to be hoped that the effort will be attended with success, and a structure erected that will be worthy of the memory of that greatest of men, and of the country in the establishment of whose independence he was mainly instrumental. The contribution is limited to one dollar each, in order that all may be allowed to participate. It will be truly a Monument of the gratitude of the American People to the First Citizen of the Republic.

Charleston Courier of April 18.

OYSTER BEARING TREE.

A portion of the branch of a tree, curiously covered with Oysters of goodly size, or two hundred in number—may be seen at our office. It was taken from the creek near the public Magazine on the Neck. The Oysters are much larger than those found adhering in a similar manner to the roots of the Mangroves in the West India Islands—and which in some of the Islands are the only Oysters to be had.

Charleston Mercury.

A gentleman of Maine on a "Moose Hunt," came near losing his life the other day, by the explosion of a "cast iron" musket which he had purchased probably from some vender of wooden nutmegs.

We understand that information had been received at the Adjutant General's Office from General Brook, commanding at Green Bay, stating that a war belt from the Seminoles is circulating among the Winnabagoes, and that there is reason to apprehend that these latter Indians may be induced to commit hostilities against our settlements.—*Washington Globe.*

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS.

We find the following organization of the new independent Government of Texas, in our last southern papers. A Constitution has been formed, and the following Officers provisionally appointed—we presume by the Convention, viz: David G. Burnet, President, Lorenzo de Zavala, Vice President, Samuel P. Carson, Secretary of State, Thomas H. Rusk, Secretary of War, Bally Hardman, Secretary of the Treasury, Robert Potter, Secretary of the Navy, David Thomas, Attorney General, J. R. Jones, Post Master General.

The government will remove from Washington, where it is now, to Harrisburg, not in consequence of any apprehensions of fear, but as a measure conducive to the common good.

A Challenge.—Some years since, Judge of Rhode Island, received a challenge from Gen. — of which he took no notice. Soon after, he met the challenger in a public company, and the following dialogue ensued between them: "Did you receive my note sir?" "Yes sir." "Well sir, do you intend to fight me?" "No sir." "Well sir, I will consider you a pitiful coward." "Right, sir; you know that very well or you would never have challenged me."

Contents of the last number of the Farmer and Gardener.

Large yield of corn—the season end

great yield of late corn—value of Durham bullocks—a present of seed from Capt. J. J. Nicholson of the U. S. Navy—root crops, and their mode of culture and value—chaff as a manure for strawberries—importance of agricultural improvement—culture of the sugar cane—consumption of French silks—valuable plant for live hedge—value of labor saving machines—cultivation of the Dahlia—the Hessian fly and a preventive—novel method of raising early cucumbers—sugar from beets—the manufacture of silk in Providence, R. Island—mercury preventive of caterpillars—the tomato culture—Kentucky live stock exports—copperas soak for corn—advertisements, prices current, &c.

TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

For the Cheraw Gazette.

Society Hill, April 8th 1836.

The annual session of the Welsh Neck Temperance Convention commenced at the above time, and place, and S. B. Wilkins Esq. by previous appointment, addressed the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. The President called for Letters and Delegates from auxiliary Societies, when several letters were read, giving statements of the progress of Temperance in their respective neighborhoods, and the Delegates were received.

The following is a list of the Societies with the names of the delegates present annexed: *Elm Society.*—Rev. J. M. Timmons, J. Courtney, W. Timmons, R. Timmons, Delegates. *Lake Swamp Society.*—Rev. J. C. Furman, J. F. Wilson, J. K. Melver, I. D. Wilson, R. G. Edwards. *Antioch, T. E. Melver. Swift Creek.*—Black Creek—Melpah, J. Lane. *Willow Creek.*—Mechanicsville, Rev. W. Q. Beattie, T. P. Lide, *Darlington.* S. B. Wilkins, Dr. Dargan, J. E. Dargan.

The Convention now proceeded to the election of officers. Voted that they be chosen by nomination, whereupon Rev. J. M. Timmons was elected President, J. F. Wilson Vice President, and E. A. Law, Secretary.

After considerable discussion, the following resolution was adopted:—Resolved, That a committee be appointed to collect facts connected with the Temperance Question, and to ascertain public sentiment in relation to the tendency of ardent spirits, and the use of it on the moral and pecuniary condition of our fellow citizens, particularly within the precincts of the Convention. The following gentlemen compose the committee, I. D. Wilson, G. W. Dargan, S. B. Wilkins, Dr. T. J. K. Dargan.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the practicability of appointing an agent to visit the Temperance Societies and neighborhoods within our limits, and deliver addresses on the subject of temperance. The following gentlemen compose the committee. Dr. J. K. Melver, J. C. Furman, W. Timmons.

Resolved, That the same committee be requested to wait on Mr. Wilkins and request a copy of his address for publication.

Resolved, That the next meeting of this Body be held on Monday night during the next session of the Welsh Neck Association at Darlington C. H., and that E. A. Law Esq. be requested to address that meeting.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to Mr. Wilkins for his interesting and valuable address delivered this day.

Adjourned till to-morrow evening.

Saturday evening, April 9.

The Convention met this evening at candle light, prayer by Rev. W. Q. Beattie.

The minutes of yesterday were read. The committee appointed to consider the practicability of appointing an agent in the temperance cause, submitted the following report. The committee appointed to inquire into the practicability of employing an agent for this Convention, respectfully report: That they believe such an agency would greatly promote our objects. If Temperance Societies were established in all our churches, still, the occasional visits of an Agent, would have a happy effect on their spirit and energy, and would be a means of preventing that relaxation of effort, which has been too common in our Societies. But when it is recollected that there are churches and neighborhoods within our limits, where temperance societies do not exist; where the Public mind is not informed on this subject, they can conceive of no better means to awaken public attention, and to impart information, than the employment of an intelligent and active Agent. Did our resources admit of it, they would recommend the employment of such an agent at once, who should visit all our societies and churches, and by lectures and public addresses on the subject of Temperance, stir up the Societies to more active diligence and assist in the formation of new Societies. This course would give a new impulse to this great work of reforming the habits and morals of Society. But as we may not be prepared at present for this measure; they recommend that the Convention accept the services of voluntary agents, who may be disposed to devote a part of their time to this important object. In conclusion, they would express the hope that some of our members, who possess the information and the necessary qualifications, would make the experiment, and by the next meeting of Convention, we shall be prepared to determine on the practicability and advantages of this measure.

The same committee reported, that they had discharged the duty assigned them of requesting a copy of Mr. Wilkins' address for publication—that they had obtained a copy and placed it in the hands of the Secretary.

Resolved, That the proceedings and address of this meeting be published in pamphlet form, and that a committee be appointed to attend to this object.—Committee, I. D. Wilson, S. B. Wilkins, T. E. Melver, Dr. T. Dargan, and T. P. Lide.

Resolved further, That copies of the proceedings and address be furnished the Editor of the Cheraw Gazette and Southern Baptist, with a request that they insert them in their papers.

Resolved, That any friends of temperance present, not members of this Body, be invited to a seat with us.

Resolved, That this Convention hall with pleasure the proffer of their services from members of this Body as voluntary agents in the work of extending the Temperance reformation.

They regard it as a token of good, as evidence of increasing interest in the subject, and of the certainty of complete ultimate success.

Messrs. S. B. Wilkins and I. D. Wilson having offered their services to the Convention as voluntary agents in the Temperance reformation, voted unanimously the thanks of Convention to these gentlemen for so doing.

Resolved, That the Societies composing this Convention be requested to report at the next meeting in regard to the principles upon which they act, whether they have adopted the principle of total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, or only from Ardent Spirits.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to communicate to the Societies the above resolution.

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DIARY OF THE WEATHER,
In this Town last week.

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Wed. 24.	70 79 82		S. W.	
Thur. 25.	74 80 82		S. W.	
Fri. 26.	72 80 82		S. W.	
Sat. 27.	74 80 82		S. W.	

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRACT DEPOSITORIES.

A NUMBER of individuals of this town and neighborhood have paid between \$700 and \$800 for Sunday school books and religious Tracts, and have thus established these Depositories which are intended to be perpetual.

These books and tracts are sold at cost and charges, without any profit, to all who will buy, and the money reinvested in books of the same kind, and thus the supply is always kept up. The books are sold at the same prices that they are sold at the Depositories by retail in New York and Philadelphia.

These books and tracts inculcate that form of truth and doctrine in which Christians are agreed generally; and have nothing sectarian in them; and thus are calculated to supply the wants of Christians of every evangelical denomination.

The Depositories are at the Book Store and are kept and attended to free of charge or expense.

The following Periodicals devoted to Agriculture are received in exchange at this office, and files of them kept in the bookstore, which Planters are invited to call and examine with a hope that for their own interest they may be induced to subscribe.

The Southern Agriculturist, published monthly in Charleston, S. C. at five dollars per annum.

The FARMER AND GARDENER, successor to the American Farmer, published weekly in Baltimore at five dollars per annum.

The CULTIVATOR, published monthly in Albany, N. Y. at fifty cents per annum.

The WESTERN FARMER, published monthly in Cincinnati, Ohio, at one dollar per annum.

The MONTHLY GENESSEE FARMER, published at Rochester New York, price fifty cents per annum.

TENNESSEE FARMER, published monthly in Jonesborough, Tennessee, at one dollar per annum.

COMMERCIAL RECORD.

PRICES CURRENT, MAY 2.

Beef in market	lb	9	100
Bacon	lb	13 00	1500
Butter	lb	14	15
Butter	lb	20	25
Butter	lb	14	15
Boeswax	lb	16	28
Baggings	yard	20	18
Bale rope	lb	11	12 1/2
Coffee	lb	14	16
Corroon	100lbs	13 00	1800
Corn	bushel	00	80
Flour from waggons	brl	75 00	8 00
Northern.	brl	35	36
Feathers from waggons	lb	5	5
Hides green	lb	10	10
dry	100lbs	450	550
Iron	lb	75	250
Indigo	cask	350	18
Lard	lb	13	15
Leather soft	lb	25	28
Logwood	lb	8	9
Molasses	gal	40	45
Nails cut assorted	lb	74	8
wrought	bushel	40	60
Oats	gal	75	100
Oil curriers	125		
lump	137 1/2		
Paints white lead	keg	350	
Spanish brown	lb	100	112 1/2
Peas,	brl	009	0000
Pork	100lbs	460	500
Rice	200	2 50	
Shot, Bag	lb	10	10
Sugar	lb	12 1/2	11
Salt	sack	240	275
Steel American blister	lb	10	10
English do	lb	15	18
German	lb	9	10
Tallow	lb	12 1/2	152
Tobacco imperial	lb	75	100
lyson	lb	8	10
Tobacco manufactured	50lb	325	350
Window glass 8 x 10	10 x 12	350	375

It will be perceived that there is an improvement in the price of Cotton since our last. Not much brought in, but a prime article would we think command 18 cents; though the highest price given to-day was 17 1/2.

On Wednesday the 27th Steamer Atalanta for Georgetown to Moss Tuttle.

EXCHANGE.

Checks on New York,		\$ 1.00
For sums under \$200		3 per ct
For sums of and over \$200		50 cts
Checks on Charleston, Columbia and Fayetteville,		4 per ct
For sums under \$200		50 cts
For sums of \$200		4 per ct

Charleston, April 27.

Corroon.—On Monday and yesterday prices have ranged from 15 to 19 cents, at which latter prices, prime qualities were disposed of, although in one or two instances a selection brought somewhat more. The reduction from former prices, particularly for inferior and middling qualities is from 2 to 2 1/2 cents.

Fayetteville, April 28.

Bacon, 12 1/2; Coffee, 14 1/2; Cotton, new 15 1/2; 16; Corn, So a 90; Flour, \$6 1/2 a 7; Iron, 5 a 6; Molasses, 48 a 50; Sugar, brown 13 1/2 a 14; Lump 25; Lard, 18 a 20; Salt, 55 a 70; Cotton Baggings, 25 a 31.

Cincinnati, April 15.

Flour.—A considerable improvement has been realized in this staple since our last report, in consequence of an increased export demand in N. Orleans. Holders are now firm in their demands of \$6 1/2 per bbl. which is advance of fully 75 cts.

Lard.—Our quotations for this article remain the same as heretofore, 12 1/2 cts. and dull.

Pittsburg, April 19.

Lard 12 1/2.

Georgetown, April 20.

Flour.—There has been a better demand for flour since our last report, and prices are somewhat better, the sales of good brands have been principally at \$6 1/2. We alter our quotation to 6 60 a 670.

Grain. Wheat continues to sell at 1.37. Corn is scarce and wanted at 75 cts., for white and yellow. Oats 45 a 48.

Liverpool, March 18.

Cotton Market.—The business done this week is extensive, at a further improvement of 1/4 per pound on American descriptions; other kinds going off freely at very full prices. The market closes healthy and with a decided firm opinion.

To Printers.

Wanted at this office as Foreman, an efficient and active printer, who when occasion requires, can do press work or composition. A religious man would be preferred, and none need apply without unquestionable testimonials of good character.

Attention Cheraw Light Infantry.

YOU are hereby notified to appear at the usual parade ground on Saturday the 7th of May, at ten o'clock A. M. armed and equipped as the law directs, and in full Summer Uniform. By order of Capt. MALLOY, JOHN MORRISON, O. S. 25 11.

THE Copartnership in business conducted by the Subscribers, under the firm of L. COSTE & McKAY, will expire on the first day of June next. All persons having demands against the firm are requested to present them for payment previous to that time, those indebted will please liquidate their accounts by cash or notes by the first of June.

A. P. LACOSTE, D. L. MCKAY. 25 48.

Cheraw, May 3.

Family Medicine Chests
NEATLY fitted up with medicine of the best quality. For Sale by JOHN I. WESTERVELT. 25